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SUBSTANTIALLY UNINTERRUPTED
CONNECTION OF THE PERIPHERAL
WALL PORTIONS OF TWO
ADJACENT TUBULAR SEGMENTS

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Examiner:

In response to the Office Action mailed on March 31, 2009, Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.